

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In an imaging apparatus for detecting a dark
output level superposed on an imaging signal which is
an output signal of an imaging device and correcting
5 the imaging signal based on the detected dark output
level, occurrence of a false signal caused by the
dark output correction process is prevented and
a substantial lowering in the effective imaging range
is prevented by eliminating a dark output component
10 from the imaging signal and setting a clip level and
gain for a subject signal component according to
the detected dark output level.

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